

--4. (amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the particles of fentanyl have a weight based mean diameter of less than 10  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Amend claim 5 as follows:

--5. (amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the mean sieve diameter of the carrier particles is less than 750  $\mu\text{m}$ , preferably then from 100 to 600  $\mu\text{m}$ .

Amend claim 6 as follows:

--6. (amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the carrier comprises a brittle material which will fragmentize easily when compressed.

Amend claim 10 as follows:

--10. (amended) A composition according to claim 1, further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable surfactant in a finely dispersed form and intimately mixed with the fentanyl.

Amend claim 12 as follows:

--12. (amended) A composition according to claim 10, wherein the surfactant is selected from the group consisting of sodium lauryl sulfate, polysorbates, bile acid salts and mixtures thereof.

Amend claim 13 as follows:

--13. (amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the carrier particles comprise a water-soluble, pharmaceutically acceptable carbohydrate and/or inorganic salt.

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Amend claim 15 as follows:

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--15. (amended) A composition according to claim 1, wherein the carrier particles contain at least one pharmaceutical disintegrating agent promoting the dispersion of the microparticles of fentanyl over the sublingual mucosa.

Amend claim 17 as follows:

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--17. (amended) A composition according to claim 15, wherein the disintegrating agent is present in an amount from 1 to 10 weight percent of the composition.

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The above changes in the claims merely place this national phase application in the same condition as it was during Chapter II of the international phase, with the multiple dependencies being removed. Following entry of this amendment by substitution of the pages, only Article 19 claims 1-20 remain pending in this application.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."